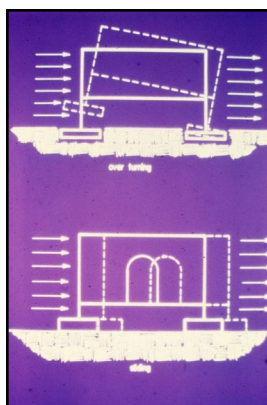


Mobile Home Safety

- The average annual death rate in mobile homes due to tornadoes is **20 times** higher than in permanent homes
- Mobile homes (**44%**) were the most common location for **tornado fatalities** from 1985 to 2005, followed by permanent homes (25.3%) and vehicles (9.9%). This disparity is more striking when considering that mobile homes accounted for a mere 5%–8% of U.S. housing units during this period
- The National Weather Service (NWS) considers mobile homes unsafe during a tornado
- Mobile home residents should go to the nearest sturdy building or storm shelter. Do NOT shelter inside your mobile home!
- In many cases, your car can be a safer sheltering option than staying in your mobile home

Rolled mobile home – stopped by tree 70 mph



Mobile homes:

- overturn or slide between 70 and 100 mph
- Are completely blown away at 110-137 MPH EF2

Truck stays - M. Home flipped



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Remember!

- 1) Participate in a tornado drill in your mobile home community. If you don't have one, organize a tornado drill!
- 2) Understand the definition of a tornado warning*
- 3) Have an emergency response plan for seeking shelter **away** from your mobile home.

By following these 3 points you can lower the risk to you and your family from the hazards posed by tornadoes in Kansas.

***A tornado warning means** there is immediate danger for the warned area. All in a tornado warning are urged to shelter immediately, as it can be a life-threatening situation. For our residents who live in mobile homes, that means evacuating the mobile home and seeking shelter in the nearest sturdy building or storm shelter.